

## **Senate Bill No. 163**

### **CHAPTER 637**

An act to add Section 380.1 to the Streets and Highways Code, relating to transportation.

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#### **LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

SB 163, Migden. Yerba Buena Island ramp connections.

Existing law provides the Department of Transportation full possession and control of all state highways and all property and rights in property acquired for state highway purposes. Existing law requires the department to improve and maintain the state highways, including all traversable highways that have been adopted or designated as state highways by the California Transportation Commission. Existing law establishes the state highway system, which consists of specified routes, including State Highway Route 80. Existing law specifies the respective powers and duties of the Bay Area Toll Authority and the department relative to the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, and creates the Treasure Island Development Authority with specified powers and duties relative to lands on former Naval Station Treasure Island to be conveyed to the authority by the federal government.

This bill would require the department to work in cooperation with the Treasure Island Development Authority on the design and engineering of replacement ramps connecting Yerba Buena Island to the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge and to work in cooperation with the authority and the San Francisco County Transportation Authority to ensure that the design of the ramps is compatible with the design of the new eastern span of the bridge. The bill would authorize the department, upon the transfer to the authority from the federal government of the ramp connections, to accept from the authority title, easements, and other interests in land necessary for the state to own and operate one or more of the ramps. The bill would make transfer of a ramp from the authority to the state contingent upon completion of work on the ramp in accordance with specified standards and upon the commission making certain findings and approving the transfer agreement. The bill would also require a project study report on the reconstruction of the ramps to be finalized by December 31, 2008, would require the San Francisco County Transportation Authority to be the lead agency for the development of the project study report, and would require the San Francisco County Transportation Authority to work in coordination with the Treasure Island Development Authority, the Mayor of the City of San Francisco, and the Bay Area Toll Authority.

Because the bill would impose duties on local government agencies, it would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 380.1 is added to the Streets and Highways Code, to read:

380.1. (a) The Legislature finds and declares the following:

(1) It is in the interest of the well-being of the traveling public in the state to bring the ramps connecting Yerba Buena Island to the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge under the ownership and control of the State of California, and to ensure the reconstruction of those ramps according to contemporary design standards.

(2) It is in the best interest of the traveling public to begin work on the ramps as soon as possible in order to coordinate this work with the design and construction of the new east span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge.

(b) (1) The department shall work in cooperation with the authority on the design and engineering of replacement ramps connecting Yerba Buena Island to the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge.

(2) The department shall work in cooperation with the authority and the San Francisco County Transportation Authority to ensure that the design of the new ramps and the new eastern span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge are compatible.

(c) Upon the transfer of any portion of former Naval Station Treasure Island to the authority that includes the ramp connections on the eastern side of Yerba Buena Island connecting the island to the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, the department is authorized to accept from the authority title, easements, and other interests in land that may be necessary for the state to own and operate one or more of the ramps.

(d) The transfer of a ramp from the authority to the state is contingent on all of the following:

(1) A finding by the California Transportation Commission that the transfer is in the best interests of the state.

(2) Approval by the California Transportation Commission of the terms and conditions of the transfer agreement entered into between the authority and the department.

(3) Completion of work on the ramp, in accordance with current seismic, engineering, and safety design standards as approved by the department, prior to the transfer.

(e) In accordance with state requirements, a project study report on the reconstruction of the ramps shall be finalized on or before December 31, 2008. The San Francisco County Transportation Authority shall be the lead agency for the development of the project study report and it shall work in coordination with the authority, the Mayor of the City of San Francisco, and the Bay Area Toll Authority.

(f) Nothing in this section shall require a commitment of state funding from (1) the State Highway Account or (2) toll revenues or other sources of funding under the jurisdiction of the Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee established pursuant to Section 30952.1. This does not preclude a local entity from seeking any available funds for the reconstruction of the ramps, including state funds available to the local entity.

(g) For purposes of this section, “authority” means the Treasure Island Development Authority, a nonprofit public benefit corporation established by the legislative body of the City and County of San Francisco and the Treasure Island Conversion Act of 1997 (Chapter 898 of the Statutes of 1997).

SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district are the result of a program for which legislative authority was requested by that local agency or school district, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code and Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.